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Importance: High

Jim,

Here is the information that MOSES Legislative Lobbyist Bridget Quinn needs right away. Also, it would be helpful if once you've responded to the numbered questions you could begin gathering the equipment information. If we could have that information prior to Wednesday afternoon, that would be great. Once Bridget has developed a "Legislative Fact Sheet" we'll send that out to you for distribution to city and town officials, police departments etc. For now if you could keep all this just amongst those listed on this email and MOSES members in your lab. Thanks and if you have any questions, let me know. Ann.

Questions for UMASS lab

1. How many total number of MOSES represented employees are in the Amherst Drug Lab?
2. Are there any non-MOSES represented staff in the Amherst Drug Lab? If any please provide their names, titles and bargaining unit designation (if you know)?
3. How many cases/items are analyzed each year by the staff?
4. How many cases/items are received each year?
5. What is the current state of the backlog? Turnaround time?
6. What would the likely consequences be for analysts in order to satisfy Melendez -Diaz decision requirements, i.e., would analysts have to travel from JP to various courts in Western MA? How will this impact analysts ability to actually perform analyses? Also, would city & town police officers have to make chain of custody treks to Boston?
7. Who should Bridget Quinn contact in Western MA Law enforcement, i.e.,- Springfield Police Dept?
8. Who should I contact in DA's office?

After responding to these questions would you please attempt to list the office equipment, i.e. copy machine(s), telephones, facsimile machine, computers etc and the associated costs....could we find out how old the equipment is? What kind of leases they have and the potential buy-out of these leases....

Also, the same for the lab equipment.

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"C'est en faisant n'importe quoi qu'on devient n'importe qui" Remi Gaillard

(It's by doing whatever that one becomes whoever)